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TO: FCS ROOM NO. BUILDING	
Re PIMSA 1. In the publishing weeks of 7 and 14 July, we ran 15 items, most of which were on Mexico and several of which were on Mexico and several of which measure that were highly responsive (see check marks) and, as far as we can tell, uniquely available from this source.	
2. Mexico is of relatively high interest among IA countries, especially re policies managed on oil and transnationals. Embassy reporting has improved much in the past year, but (cont'd)	
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PIMSA and other media reports are

frequently the only reports on events

there.

3. PIMSA and INFORMEX appear
to be complementary sources for our Received
purposessibles. They may duplicate
each other in reporting on Mexico,
but the bureaus do a good job of
avoiding duplicate processing. Neither
superseded the other during the period
under review.

The OCI analyst for Mexico, who is on leave this week, has described it in the past as a useful source.

We are unable to run an annex some days, when space is particularly tight, causing the PIMSAs to backlog until we are running 4 or 5 a day. So naturally we'd like to have the source in the open. But we wouldn't advocate paying an exhorbitant price.

Ball's back in your court!

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